Temporary Duty (TDY) Travel Allowances

U.S. Government Car Rental Agreement, unless you are OCONUS and no agreement is in place for your TDY location. SDDC has negotiated rental car agreements that include automatic unlimited mileage, collision damage insurance, and ceiling rates.

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PART 301-51—PAYING TRAVEL EXPENSES

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Subpart A—General

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§ 301-51.1 What is the required method of payment for official travel expenses?

You are required to use the Government contractor-issued travel charge card for all official travel expenses unless you have an exemption.

§ 301-51.2 What official travel expenses and/or classes of employees are exempt from the mandatory use of the Government contractorissued travel charge card?

The Administrator of General Services exempts the following from the mandatory use of the Government contractor-issued travel charge card:

- (a) Expenses incurred at a vendor that does not accept the Government contractor-issued travel charge card;
 - (b) Laundry/dry cleaning;
 - (c) Parking;
 - (d) Transit system at a TDY location;
 - (e) Taxi;
 - (f) Tips;
- (g) Meals (when use of the card is impractical, e.g., group meals or the Government contractor-issued travel charge card is not accepted);
- (h) Phone calls (when a Government calling card is available for use in accordance with agency policy);
- (i) An employee who has an application pending for the travel charge card;
- (j) Individuals traveling on invitational travel;
- (k) New appointees;